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Also submitted herewith is a copy of Form PTO-1449, which lists the reference cited in the PARTIAL EUROPEAN SEARCH REPORT. The Examiner is respectfully directed to the Search Report for a concise explanation of the relevance of the cited documents.

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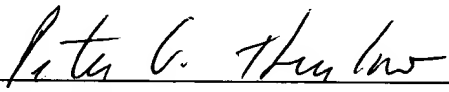
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It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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